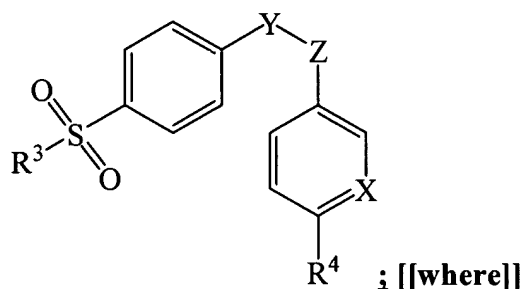


**Amended Claims**

**Claim 1 (canceled).**

2. **(currently amended)** A pharmaceutical composition, **wherein:**  
**the composition comprises** ~~comprising~~ one or more orally deliverable dose units,  
each comprising a selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug of low water solubility in a  
therapeutically effective amount, wherein the drug is present in solid particles having a weight  
average particle size of about 500 nm to about 900 nm; ~~and wherein~~  
the selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug is a compound of formula:



$R^3$  is **[[a]]** methyl or amino; **group**;

$R^4$  is hydrogen, **[[or a]]**  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, or  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy; **group**;

X is N or  $CR^5$ ; **[[where]]**

$R^5$  is hydrogen or halogen; **[[,]]** and

Y and Z are independently carbon or nitrogen atoms defining adjacent atoms of a five-  
to six-membered ring that is unsubstituted or substituted at one or more positions with oxo,  
halo, methyl, or halomethyl **groups**.

**Claim 3 (canceled).**

4. **(currently amended)** The composition of Claim **2** **[[1]]** wherein the dose units are  
in the form of discrete solid articles.

5. **(original)** The composition of Claim 4 wherein the solid particles are tablets or  
capsules.

6. **(currently amended)** The composition of Claim 2 ~~[[1]]~~ that is in the form of a substantially homogeneous flowable mass from which single dose units are measurably removable.

7. **(original)** The composition of Claim 6 wherein the substantially homogeneous flowable mass is a liquid suspension.

**Claims 8-11 (canceled).**

12. **(currently amended)** The composition of Claim 2 ~~[[1]]~~ wherein Y and Z are independently carbon or nitrogen atoms defining adjacent atoms of a ~~the five to six-~~ ~~membered~~ ring ~~[[is]]~~ selected from the group consisting of cyclopentenone, furanone, methylpyrazole, isoxazole, and pyridine rings substituted at no more than one position.

13. **(currently amended)** The composition of Claim 2 ~~[[1]]~~ wherein the selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug is selected from the group consisting of celecoxib, deracoxib, valdecoxib, rofecoxib, 5-chloro-3-(4-methylsulfonyl)phenyl-2-(2-methyl-5-pyridinyl)pyridine, 2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-3-[4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-2-cyclopenten-1-one and (S)-6,8-dichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid.

14. **(original)** The composition of Claim 13 wherein the selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug is celecoxib.

15. **(original)** The composition of Claim 14 comprising about 10 mg to about 1000 mg celecoxib in each dose unit.

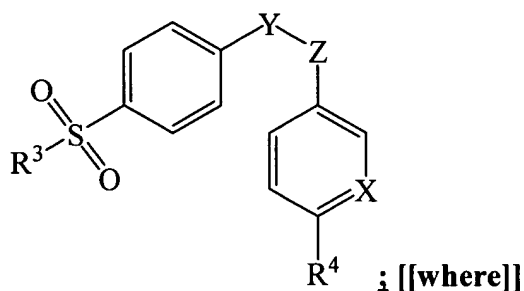
**Claims 16-18 (cancelled).**

19. **(currently amended)** A method of treating a medical condition or disorder in a subject where treatment with a cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor is indicated, **wherein:**

**the method comprises comprising** orally administering one or more dose units of a composition one to about six times a day; ~~wherein~~

the composition comprises a selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug of low water solubility in a therapeutically effective amount, wherein the drug is present in solid particles having a weight average particle size of about 500 nm to about 900 nm; ~~and wherein~~

the selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug is a compound of formula:



R<sup>3</sup> is **[[a]]** methyl or amino; **group,**

R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen, **[[or a]]** C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkoxy; **group,**

X is N or CR<sup>5</sup>; **[[where]]**

R<sup>5</sup> is hydrogen or halogen; **[[,]]** and

Y and Z are independently carbon or nitrogen atoms defining adjacent atoms of a five- to six-membered ring that is unsubstituted or substituted at one or more positions with oxo, halo, methyl, or halomethyl **groups.**

20. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 19 wherein the medical condition or disorder is accompanied by acute pain.

21. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 19 wherein the dose units are in the form of discrete solid articles.

22. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 21 wherein the solid articles are tablets or capsules.

23. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 19 that is in the form of a substantially homogeneous flowable mass from which single dose units are measurably removable.

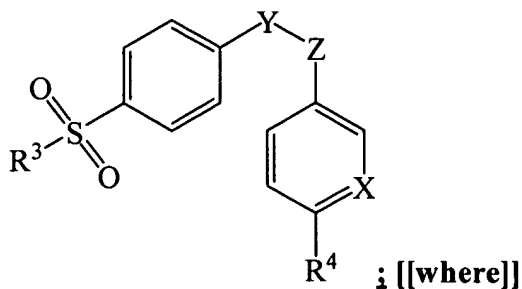
24. **(currently amended)** The method of Claim 19 wherein Y and Z are independently carbon or nitrogen atoms defining adjacent atoms of a the five to six-membered ring ~~[[is]]~~ selected from the group consisting of cyclopentenone, furanone, methylpyrazole, isoxazole, and pyridine rings substituted at no more than one position.

25. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 19 wherein the selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug is selected from the group consisting of celecoxib, deracoxib, valdecoxib, rofecoxib, 5-chloro-3-(4-methylsulfonyl)phenyl-2-(2-methyl-5-pyridinyl)pyridine, 2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-3-[4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-2-cyclopenten-1-one and (S)-6,8-dichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid.

26. **(currently amended)** A method of making a medicament useful in treatment or prophylaxis of a COX-2 mediated condition or disorder, wherein:

the method comprises ~~comprising~~ incorporation of a selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug of low water solubility into a pharmaceutical composition comprising one or more orally deliverable dose units, wherein the drug is in the form of solid particles having a weight average particle size of about 500 nm to about 900 nm; ~~and wherein~~

the selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug is a compound of formula:



$\text{R}^3$  is ~~[[a]]~~ methyl or amino; ~~group~~,

R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen, ~~[[or a]]~~ C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkoxy; ~~group,~~

X is N or CR<sup>5</sup>; ~~[[where]]~~

R<sup>5</sup> is hydrogen or halogen; ~~[[,]]~~ and

Y and Z are independently carbon or nitrogen atoms defining adjacent atoms of a five- to six-membered ring that is unsubstituted or substituted at one or more positions with oxo, halo, methyl, or halomethyl ~~groups~~.

27. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 26 wherein the dose units are in the form of discrete solid articles.

28. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 27 wherein the solid articles are tablets or capsules

29. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 25 that is in the form of a substantially homogeneous flowable mass from which single dose units are measurably removable.

30. **(currently amended)** The method of Claim 25 wherein Y and Z are independently carbon or nitrogen atoms defining adjacent atoms of a the five to six-membered ring ~~[[is]]~~ selected from the group consisting of cyclopentenone, furanone, methylpyrazole, isoxazole, and pyridine rings substituted at no more than one position..

31. **(previously presented)** The method of Claim 25 wherein the selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug is selected from the group consisting of celecoxib, deracoxib, valdecoxib, rofecoxib, 5-chloro-3-(4-methylsulfonyl)phenyl-2-(2-methyl-5-pyridinyl)pyridine, 2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-3-[4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-2-cyclopenten-1-one and (S)-6,8-dichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid.